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**MEMORANDUM**

To: University Committee on Graduate Studies

From: University Committee on Graduate Studies Agenda Committee

Subject: Agenda for the Meeting of the University Committee on Graduate Studies on **September 20, 2021, 3:00-5:00 pm.**

**Zoom Meeting ID:** 963 5429 7545 (<https://msu.zoom.us/j/96354297545>) Passcode: 630940

**AGENDA**

1. \*Approval of Agenda
2. \*Approval of Minutes from April 12, 2021 (See D2L)
3. Remarks from the Chairperson (Denise Hershey)
  - a. Welcome & introductions
  - b. Tour of D2L (Bethany Laursen)
  - c. Sub-committee duties, chairs, and committee rosters (See D2L)
4. \*Approval of UCGS procedures
5. \*Subcommittee chair elections
  - a. Curriculum & Program Review Subcommittee chair candidate: Thomas Sharkey
  - b. Academic Research Policy Subcommittee co-chair candidates: Anne-Lise Halvorsen and Lorraine Weatherspoon
  - c. Graduate Instruction, Employment (non-GEU), and Mentoring Policy Subcommittee co-chair candidates: Bruno Takahashi and Tomas Hult
6. Remarks from the Dean of the Graduate School (Thomas Jeitschko/Kirsten Tollefson)
  - a. Role of UCGS
  - b. Modes of participation (See D2L)

7. \*Vote to recommend to the Provost the following proposal from Dean Jeitschko (Thomas Jeitschko/Kirsten Tollefson)

Programs can petition the Dean of the Graduate School to suspend/amend certain [university admissions requirements](#) in the process of implementing Slate. Upon review and consideration, the dean will consult with the implementation team and use her/his judgement to allow any request for modification to move forward for this year only and will immediately notify the chair of UCGS of any such action. UCGS can veto the permission and (provided it can be undone, given programming/implementation constraints) the dean will be over-ruled. Otherwise the exception is granted for the year during the switch to Slate.

8. Remarks from the COGS Interim President (Sara Hugentobler)
9. Review of the Dean of the Graduate School search (Suzanne Lang)
10. \*Request for a new **Master of Science Degree in Accelerator Science & Engineering** (Remco Zegers)
11. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Science Degree in Food Science** (Elizabeth Gardener)
12. \*Request to change the name and requirements for the **Graduate Specialization in Ecological Food and Farming Systems** (Matt Grieshop)
13. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Graduate Certificate (Type 2) in Music Theory** (Michael Callahan)
14. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Master of Music** degree in **Music Theory** (Michael Callahan)
15. \*Request to phase out and discontinue the **Master of Arts** degree in **Professional Applications in Anthropology** (Mindy Morgan)
16. \*Request for a new **Graduate Certificate (Type 2) in Animal Studies: Social Science & Human Perspectives** (Linda Kalof & Aaron McCright)
17. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Educational Specialist** degree in **School Psychology** (Jodene Fine & Sara Witmer)
18. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **Rehabilitation Counselor Education** (Andy Nay)
19. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Measurement & Quantitative Methods** (William “Bill” Schmidt)
20. \*Request to change the requirements for the **Doctor of Philosophy** degree in **School Psychology** (Jodene Fine and Sara Witmer)
21. Roundtable

22. Adjournment

**\*Action item**

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